Performance Oriented Packaging Report for 105mm Howitzer Ammunition

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Performance Oriented Packaging, POP, 105mm Howitzer Ammunition, MIL-B-2427 Wood Box.

This POP report is for 105mm Howitzer Ammunition, which is packaged 2 cartridges per MIL-B-2427 wood box. This report describes the results of testing for this item.
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1. DATA SHEET

CONTAINER

Type: Box
UN Code: 4C1
Nomenclature: BOX, PACKING, AMMUNITION, FOR 105MM HOWITZER AMMUNITION IN FIBER CONTAINER, M105A3

BOX, PACKING, AMMUNITION FOR 105MM HOWITZER AMMUNITION WITHOUT FUZE IN FIBER CONTAINER, PA55

Specification Number: Type II, Grade A, Class 5, Mil-B-2427
Drawing Number: 7549072 and 9271047
Material: Wood
Gross Weight: 146 pounds
Outside Dimensions: 37 1/4" x 11 15/16" x 7 19/32"
Inside Dimensions: 32" x 10 3/8" x 5 1/4"

PRODUCT

Name: 105MM Howitzer Cartridges
Drawing Number: N/A
United Nations Number: Various
Physical State: Solid
Amount per Container: 2 - 105mm Howitzer Cartridges

2. BACKGROUND, TESTS, AND RESULTS

Reference the following document:
  a. 49 CFR, October 1, 1993 Edition

A Stacking Test was conducted on three containers with a weight of 2,325 pounds per container for 24 hours. This weight exceeds the minimum requirement for a 10' stack height which is 2,178 pounds.

A Loose Cargo Test was conducted on three containers for one hour. The packages were tested at a vibration table frequency such that the bottom of the packages were raised 1/4" from the platform, which exceeds the requirement of 1/16".

A Seven Foot Drop Test was conducted on three containers that were subjected to 6, three foot drops, and the Loose Cargo Test. The three containers were dropped twice at seven feet covering the following orientations: top, bottom, long side, short side, and a top corner at the closure. This exceeds the requirement of one drop per container at four feet.

Test results indicated no leakage or spillage of the contents from the containers following any of the tests conducted, meeting the requirements of the 49 CFR.